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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Anti-TNF antibodies and anti-TNF peptides, specific for tumor necrosis factor (TNF) are useful for in vivo diagnosis and therapy of a number of TNF-mediated pathologies and conditions, as well as polynucleotides coding for anti-TNF murine and chimeric antibodies, peptides, methods of making and using the antibody or peptides in immunoassays and immuno-therapeutic approaches are provided, where the anti-TNF peptide is selected from a soluble portion of TNF receptor, an anti-TNF antibody or structural analog thereof.

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